

NASA STTR 2006 Phase I Solicitation

T9.02 Field Sensors, Instruments, and Related Technologies

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Coastal environments and their natural resources are vital to our Nation's economy, security, commerce and recreation. These environments are strongly impacted by severe weather and other natural hazards. Because most of the world's population lives in coastal regions, these important and dynamic environments are also significantly impacted by human-induced events. Moreover, they are also especially sensitive to the initial effects of global climate change.

This subtopic solicits innovative field measurement technologies and analytical tools to support NASA's remote sensing technologies used in coastal research and applications. Specific interests at SSC include the following:

- Coupling of land and ocean processes (run-off, air quality, material flux);
- · Coral reef mapping and health;
- Algal blooms (detection and monitoring);
- Sea level rise (measuring and forecasting effects);
- Sediment and contaminant transport (measuring and monitoring);
- Natural disasters such as tropical systems, tsunamis, and floods (planning, impact assessment, mitigation, and recovery).

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